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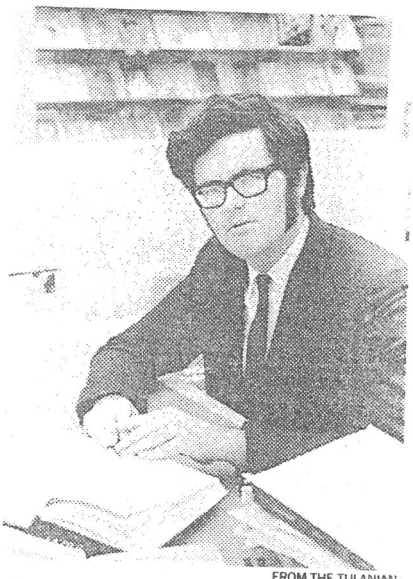
Elvis, Is It Really You?



FROM THE TULANIAN

Gingrich at Tulane in the late '60s.

Long before he was lighting fires in Congress, **Newt Gingrich** was fanning flames as a defender of . . . nude photos.

As a grad student at Tulane, the future House speaker, looking a bit like **Elvis** (see photo at left) stormed into the university president's office to demand that he allow the school newspaper to publish a photo of a nude sculpture.

"The student newspaper was produced with student fees," Gingrich recently told the school's alumni magazine, the Tulanian. "Our argument was that it ought to have intellectual freedom because it was a student newspaper. . . . I told him that we were paying for it and had a right not to be censored by the people who were *not* paying for it."

But Gingrich had better luck with the "Contract With America" 25 years later. Asked if he prevailed at Tulane, he hesitated and admitted, "Ah . . . no."